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## General Comment

1) I completely support the requirement that certain preventative health services for women, including contraceptive methods and counseling, must be included by insurers and employers providing health insurance. If this requirement were removed, countless women would be left without preventative health coverage, while at the same time most insurers provided coverage for erectile dysfunction medication, such as Viagra. This doesn't make sense. It is right to ensure that pregnancies only occur to women who want them, and NOT to women who responsibly choose to take action to ensure that a pregnancy does not occur.

2) Religious employers deserve no special treatment when it comes to providing women basic and necessary health care. No employer has the right to force religious tenets on its employees, whether that employer is defined as a religious or secular employer. I encourage the adoption of the interim final rules without further relaxation of the definition of "religious employer."

Thank you.